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Mr. James Druckman
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IRB Project Number: STU00069658**Review Date:** 9/4/2012**Review Type:** Exempt**Protocol Sites:**

Northwestern University (NU)

Sponsor Information:

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Protocol Title: Political Communication: Are Population-Based Survey Experiments Truly Unparalleled?**Submission(s) Considered:** New Project**Status:** Exempt Review Completed

The IRB has determined that your study qualifies for Exemption under 45 CFR 46.101(b). The only involvement of human subjects will be in the following category(ies):

Category Type	Description
	Research involving the use of educational tests (cognitive, diagnostic, aptitude,

Category 2 Surveys, Tests, Interviews or Observations (achievement), survey procedures, interview procedures or observation of public behavior, unless: (i) information obtained is recorded in such a manner that human subjects can be identified, directly or through identifiers linked to the subjects; and (ii) any disclosure of the human subjects' responses outside the research could reasonably place the subjects at risk of criminal or civil liability or be damaging to the subjects' financial standing, employability, or reputation.

This concludes IRB review of this study. No further reporting to the IRB regarding this study is required unless there are changes in the research procedures or to the content or scope of information to be collected such that the categories noted above no longer apply.

If the research changes so that exemption no longer applies, complete and submit a new study application for IRB review. You do not need to submit changes to the study that involve change in authorized research personnel, PI or any revised documents as long as it continues to meet the exempt category.

For more information regarding IRB Office submissions and guidelines, please consult <http://irb.northwestern.edu>. This Institution has an approved Federalwide Assurance with the Department of Health and Human Services: FWA00001549.